

HAY LYING IN STATE.

FUNERAL TO BE SIMPLE.

Cleveland Officials Receive Body—Mrs. Hay at Mr. Mather's Home.

Cleveland, July 3.—Guarded by four cavalrymen, one of whom stands on each side and one at either end, the coffin containing the body of John Hay lay to-day in solitary state in the auditorium of the Chamber of Commerce. It will remain there all of to-morrow and until 9:30 o'clock on Wednesday morning. Everything connected with the funeral of the Secretary has thus far been of the simplest character, and it is the intention of the members of the family to avoid the slightest ostentation or public display in connection with the funeral. The public has not been admitted to view the body and will not be allowed to see it at any time. Save for the fact that the hearse was escorted this morning by a troop of cavalry on its way from the station to the Chamber of Commerce, there was nothing to tell the casual observer of to-day's occurrences in Cleveland that one of the great men of the nation, whose name was known throughout the world, had died.

There was even an absence of flowers around the coffin to-day, compared with the floral displays so often seen at funerals. One large wreath of roses and sweetpeas and two crossed palm, held together by a broad band of purple ribbon, rested on the coffin, and on the floor at each end of the bier lay two other wreaths of roses. Behind the coffin was an embankment of palms, and potted plants were scattered in profusion around the hall. But there will be many more floral tributes to-morrow and on Wednesday.

The body arrived at the station of the Lake Shore and Michigan Southern Railroad a few minutes after 9 o'clock, and, escorted by Troop A of the Ohio National Guard, was taken to the Chamber of Commerce, where it will remain until 9:30 o'clock on Wednesday morning, when it will be taken to Wade Chapel, in Lakeview Cemetery, where brief services will be held.

PRESIDENT AND PALMBEARERS.

Word has been received by the local committee that President Roosevelt and the members of his Cabinet, who are to act as honorary palmbearers, will arrive over the Pennsylvania road at 9 o'clock Wednesday morning. They will be driven directly from the station to the Chamber of Commerce, and the funeral procession will start for the cemetery within a few minutes after their arrival. Immediately after the conclusion of the services the President will return to his train and will be on his way to Oyster Bay at 3 o'clock. The members of the Cabinet will accompany him. Mrs. Hay will return to Lake Snipe on Wednesday evening.

The train which brought the body of Mr. Hay to Cleveland was the Lake Shore Limited, due in this city at 6:55 o'clock. At the little suburb of Glenville, five miles from this city, where Samuel Mather, a brother-in-law of Mrs. Hay, resides, a short stop was made and the funeral car, together with the car in which the members of the Hay family had travelled, was detached from the train and placed upon a siding. Two automobiles were waiting the arrival of the party, and no time was lost in starting for the home of Mr. Mather, which is situated about one mile from the station. In the first automobile Mrs. Hay and Mrs. Mather occupied the back seat, while Clarence Hay sat beside the chauffeur. In the second automobile were Samuel Mather and Samuel A. Raymond. The funeral car remained at Glenville until 10 o'clock, when, in charge of officials of the Lake Shore road, and unaccompanied by any members of the Hay family, all of whom were at the home of Mr. Mather, it was run down to the Union Depot in this city, arriving at 10:19 o'clock.

RECEIVED BY CITY OFFICIALS.

Awaiting the arrival of the funeral car in the station were the members of the committee appointed at last night's meeting in the Chamber of Commerce—Ambrose Swasey, president of the Chamber of Commerce; City Solicitor Newton D. Baker, acting as the representative of Mayor Tom L. Johnson, who has been called away from the city by the illness of his mother; F. L. Prentiss, vice-president of the Chamber of Commerce; Charles W. Bingham, H. R. Hatch, E. H. Perkins, Henry C. Rouse and Judge C. H. Stone. Drawn up outside the station was Troop A, under the command of Captain Schofield, which will act as military escort throughout the funeral ceremonies and will furnish the guard of honor.

When the car came to a stop the committee, marching two and two, formed in a line in the rear of the last car. Under the command of Lieutenant Otto Miller, of Troop A, four sergeants of the troop, Sherwood, Sullivan, Green and Hine, together with Corporals Purdie and Beidler, formed in double column behind the committee. Falling back toward the sides of the car, the members of the committee gave way to the detail of non-commissioned officers, who advanced to the end of the train and received from the undertaker's assistants the coffin. Fronting until the committee had passed to the front, the palmbearers carried their burden out through the gateway to the street, where the remainder of the troop was standing with presented arms. The committee again formed in double line, through which the non-commissioned officers bore the coffin, placing it in the hearse. The cavalry at once wheeled into column in advance of the hearse, and as soon as the members of the committee and taken their places in their carriages, the line of march was taken up for the Chamber of Commerce, about one mile distant. The escort proceeded at a slow march, requiring about twenty minutes to cover the distance.

NOT MANY SPECTATORS.

Not over two hundred persons were at the station when the funeral car arrived, and a crowd of possibly twice that number was gathered in front of the Chamber of Commerce Building when the cavalry arrived opposite its doorway. Wheeling his men to one side of the street in a line, Captain Schofield again brought them to a present arms while the six non-commissioned officers bore the body from the hearse through the broad entrance of the Chamber of Commerce Building and down the long hallway, which was deserted save for the presence of a military sentry, who stood motionless with his rifle presented until the funeral party had passed along. The coffin was borne into the auditorium, where it was placed upon a low bier, the black of which was relieved by the blue of the national flag, which was draped across it. The bier was placed in the spot where the body of Senator Hanna lay in state.

Four sentries were at once placed on guard and a detail of police stationed in the outer hall. The service and military guard will be maintained day and night until Wednesday morning. By the request of Mrs. Hay the coffin will not be opened during the time it remains in the Chamber of Commerce, and the public generally will not be admitted to the hall in which the coffin rests.

The order of exercises in the chapel will be exceedingly brief, nobody but the President.

FOURTH OF JULY

Will bring the usual crop of accidents to juvenile delinquents, burns, bumps and bruises, and at times to have a bottle of **POND'S EXTRACT** handy for emergencies. It will save many a doctor's fee.

Do not accept witch hazel as a substitute. On analysis of seventy samples of which have been purchased from many leading druggists and department stores, the following were found to contain Wood Alcohol (poison), Kerosene (poison), or both. **POND'S EXTRACT** is pure, and if you value your life and health it is the difference.

SERVICES AT WASHINGTON.

Many Diplomats Will Attend Them at the Church of the Covenant.

(FROM THE TRIBUNE BUREAU.)

Washington, July 3.—Acting Secretary of State Peirce sent to every embassy and legation in Washington this morning an announcement of the memorial services of the late Secretary of State, which will be held at the Church of the Covenant simultaneously with the funeral ceremonies in Cleveland. Much gratification was expressed by members of the diplomatic corps over the announcement, as, with a single exception, they will be unable to attend the services in Cleveland, and this will afford an opportunity to pay a tribute to Secretary Hay which all welcome. The Japanese Minister, while unable himself to leave Washington at this time because of the heavy duties incident to the coming peace negotiations, has arranged to have a representative at Mr. Hay's funeral in the person of his first secretary, Mr. Eki Hoki, who will leave Washington to-morrow at 4 o'clock in company with the members of the President's Cabinet.

In addition to the members of the Cabinet who will go to Cleveland from here, Vice-President Fairbanks, who is to speak at Urbana, Ohio, to-morrow, is expected to attend the funeral services in Cleveland, arriving there about the same time on Wednesday as the President. Ex-Secretary of War Elihu Root, having been invited by the President to attend the funeral of the late Secretary of State, as representative of the State Department, assisted by Secretary Peirce, who cannot be spared from Washington at this time, will represent the department at the memorial services to be held in Washington.

Among the diplomats now in Washington who expect to be present at the Church of the Covenant are Count Cassini, B. de Siebert, second secretary; Mr. de Thal, second secretary; Colonel Raspopov, military attaché, and Commander Alexandre Boutakoff of the Russian Embassy; Freiherr von Busche-Haddenhausen, counselor and first secretary, and Herr Fyederich von Verdy du Vernoy, third secretary of the German Embassy; Señor Don Joaquín Bernardo Calvo, Minister from Costa Rica; Señor Don Luis F. Corea, Minister, and Señor Don Nicolás Velez, second secretary of the Nicaraguan Legation; Minister Kogoro Takahira, Masanao Hanhara, third secretary; Shosuke Akatsuka, third secretary; Bunzo Kubota, attaché, and Commander Isamu Takekoshi, I. J. N. naval attaché of the Japanese Legation; Señor Don Federico Gamboa, first secretary and chargé d'affaires of the Mexican Embassy; Señor Don Joaquín Walker-Martínez, Chilean Minister; Señor Don Antonio Martín Rivero, first secretary and chargé d'affaires of the Cuban Legation; Sir Chen Chung Liang, Chinese Minister; Chow Tschai, first secretary; Chang Chuan, second secretary; Sun Sze-Yee, second secretary, and Yung Kwai, secretary interpreter of the Chinese Legation; Señor Don Ignacio Calderón, Bolivian Minister; Señor Don J. Domingo de Obaldia, Minister from Panama; Señor Don Epifanio Portela, Minister from the Argentine Republic, and Señor N. Velez-Goticoa, chargé d'affaires of the Venezuelan Legation.

LATIN AMERICAN TRIBUTE.

A special meeting of the governing board of the International Union of American Republics was called this afternoon by representatives of the various Latin American republics to pay tribute to the late Secretary of State, who represented the United States in the union as a chairman ex-officio of the board, and to pass proper resolutions on the death of their late chief. Señor Don Joaquín Bernardo Calvo, Costa Rican Minister, senior representative at Washington of the South American republics, presided and paid an eloquent tribute to Secretary Hay. Señor Don Joaquín Walker-Martínez, Chilean Minister, and several others made touching eulogistic speeches. The Ministers who are absent from Washington added their voices to the resolutions and proceedings by telegraph. The following dispatch was sent to the President by Acting Secretary Peirce:

The President, Oyster Bay, Long Island.

The governing board of the International Union of American Republics has passed the following resolutions, and requested me to communicate them to you.

First.—To express to His Excellency the President of the United States, in suitable form, our most profound condolence at the lamented loss of the illustrious citizen, the Honorable John Hay, who, while Secretary of State, represented the United States and the American people.

Second.—That a similar expression be sent to Mrs. Hay.

Third.—That a wreath with an inscription "The International Union of the American Republics" be placed at the funeral.

I have expressed my appreciation as acting secretary and on your behalf.

HERBERT H. D. PEIRCE.

Director Fox, of the bureau, officially informed Assistant Secretary Peirce of the board's action. Corresponding with the order of the President closing all the government departments on the day of Secretary Hay's funeral, Director Fox has ordered that the International Bureau of American Republics be closed on that day.

Speaking of Secretary Hay, and particularly of the way in which the Secretary brought about friendly relations between Chile and Peru, Mr. Fox said, after the meeting:

Perhaps no man understood the conditions in Latin America as did the late Secretary. It will be hard to replace him. He always spoke the truth in the preliminary work of the second international conference of American republics in Mexico, in 1901-'02, he made it very clear that the United States would not interfere in the politics of the republics south of this country. There was a friendly understanding of effort at that time to secure the attendance of Chile at the international conference. Chile was fearful, that because of her difference with Peru, the conference backed by the great power of the United States, might force upon her arbitration of those differences. It was the assurance of Secretary Hay to the contrary and Chile's confidence in his frank and truthful diplomacy which secured the attendance of Chile at the conference in Mexico and thus enable the International Union of American Republics truthfully declare the conference international. Nothing occurred in that conference to disturb the friendly relations between the two countries, and every one of them went from Mexico abundantly satisfied with what had been accomplished. Nothing occurred to mar the pleasant relations, and the late Secretary of State and the world have to thank John Hay.

PROCLAMATION BY GOVERNOR HERRICK.

Columbus, Ohio, July 3.—Governor Herrick to-day issued the following proclamation concerning the death of John Hay:

John Hay, Secretary of State for the United States, for many years an honored citizen of Ohio, died on the morning of July 1, and his remains are to be interred in Lake View Cemetery, in the city of Cleveland, on Wednesday, July 5. The services of Secretary Hay to his country, extending over a long period of years, were of inestimable value, and in his death the nation has suffered an irreparable loss. His abilities and labors as a statesman and his recognition as a citizen have received world-wide recognition. As a resident of Ohio, he held the deep and sincere affection and respect of all her citizens, who mourn his death.

In recognition of his services to his country and the nation, and in honor of his memory, the flags on the Capitol are hereby ordered placed at half-staff until after the funeral.

NOT FOURTH OF JULY BANQUET IN PARIS.

Paris, July 3.—Owing to the death of Secretary Hay the American Chamber of Commerce of Paris has decided to abandon the projected Fourth of July banquet, which was to be a notable occasion, at which Ambassador McCormick and Senator Depew were to be among the speakers, and General Porter, Mr. Loomis, Rear Admiral Sigbee and many other officials were to be among the guests.

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Mr. Root at that time expressed a grave distaste for public life, and often even before it was possible for him to relinquish the portfolio of War gave voice to a longing for the freedom and retirement of private life. Long before the last American soldier had left Cuban soil, Mr. Root had promised himself and assured his friends that as soon as Cuba was wholly and entirely free he would return to private life, and as soon as that end was accomplished he carried his purpose into effect. It is appreciated that in many respects the portfolio of State must present unusual attractions to a man of Mr. Root's exceptional ability, and it is, of course, possible that he will consent once more to enter the Cabinet, and especially if the President urges him to do so, but that it would surprise some of his most intimate friends were he to do so, is certain.

Other men discussed as likely to be chosen for Secretary of State are Senator Spooner and Secretary Taft. That Secretary Taft would make a most admirable selection is generally conceded, and it is equally true that the President feels keenly the need of Mr. Taft's services in the field to which he is now devoting himself. There is no one in the administration who is so well posted on the needs of the Philippines as Secretary Taft, and the same is equally true with regard to the necessities of the Panama Canal. It is also a fact that Secretary Taft has often expressed the desire to retain his present position, and he can at least assure the President that he will not leave the Department of Justice, if it was asserted authoritatively that nothing would induce the Secretary of War to make the change until he had secured certain legislative benefits for the Philippines.

WALL STREET MOURNS.

Flags Halfmast High—Aldermen Honor Mr. Hay's Memory.

Wall Street honored the memory of Secretary Hay in a striking manner yesterday. From one end of the street to the other the American flag was displayed at halfmast from the fronts of banks and other financial institutions, while many offices of brokers and lawyers in the district also showed the sign of sorrow. The Secretary's death and the great loss the entire country has sustained by it formed the subject of much conversation among bankers.

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At a meeting of the Board of Aldermen yesterday the following resolutions on the death of Secretary of State John Hay were adopted:

A nation mourns a nation's loss. John Hay, Secretary of State, master of honest statesmanship, literature, of profound intellect and noble sentiments, whose fame will stand in history for all time among the foremost American diplomats, is dead. We, the aldermen of the city of New-York, deeply sensible of the irreparable loss that our country has sustained, place upon our records this minute of tribute to the death of one of our most distinguished sons.

A well balanced and fairly trained mind, with hands that the rod of empire may have away, or walked to victory the living line.

It may with truth be said that in and around the domain of his well spent life was woven the poetic truth.

The paths of glory lead to the grave.

Resolved, That the Board of Aldermen of the City of New-York hereby expresses and tenders to the memory of John Hay, late Secretary of State, its sincere sympathy.

Resolved, That a copy hereof, suitably engrossed and signed by the Mayor, be presented to the City and the City Clerk, be transmitted to the family of the late John Hay.

The board adjourned to July 11.

A committee of prominent Hebrews met at the Educational Alliance, in East Broadway, to plan for a memorial mass meeting in honor of Secretary Hay. The following constituted the committee: Jacob Saphirstein, publisher of "The Jewish Morning Star"; David H. Kaufman, president of the Educational Alliance; Philip Cowen, publisher of "The Jewish Standard"; L. L. Brill, assistant editor of "The Jewish Standard"; Leon Kaskas, manager of "The Jewish Daily News"; and Albert Lucas, secretary of the Union of Orthodox Jewish Congregations of the United States.

At the mass meeting Hebrews will express gratitude for the services Mr. Hay performed in preventing further massacres of Jews in Russia.

CONDOLENCE FROM THE MIKADO.

Deep Feeling of Regret Felt in Japan—Wreath for Funeral.

Washington, July 3.—The Emperor of Japan has sent the following cable dispatch of condolence to the President on the death of Secretary John Hay:

I learned with deep sorrow of the death of Mr. Hay, Secretary of State. His eminent services in the interest of peace and good relations between nations render his death a great loss, not only to his own country, but to the world at large. I tender to you and Mrs. Hay my sincere condolence.

The Emperor instructed the Minister for Foreign Affairs to transmit a personal message from the Emperor to Mrs. Hay.

Minister Takahira has received instructions to send a wreath, in the name of the Japanese government, to Cleveland on the occasion of Mr. Hay's funeral. The wreath will be presented by Mr. Hoki, first secretary.

Tokio, July 3.—News of the death of Secretary Hay was received in Japan with universal regret. Hundreds of expressions of sorrow from prominent officers and others are reaching American Minister Grissom. Secretary Hay's prominence in Oriental diplomacy in recent years had made his name familiar to the people, who had the highest confidence in his fairness. A prominent Japanese said to The Associated Press to-day:

"The people of the Far East have lost a great and just friend."

Baron Komura, Minister of Foreign Affairs, speaking of the death of Secretary Hay, said that ever since he went to Washington as Minister of Japan he had been a personal friend of Mr. Hay, in whose wise policy in international affairs he had always had the greatest confidence. Japan, he said, was indebted to Secretary Hay in a large measure for the good relations between the two countries. Baron Komura had learned with the most painful feeling of the death of the Secretary, whom he characterized as an eminent statesman, and he immediately telegraphed to the Japanese news dispatchers a message to his widow expressing his sympathy.

A WREATH ORDERED FROM ST. PETERSBURG.

Boston, July 3.—A massive wreath of orchids, a tribute to Secretary John Hay, ordered by cable by Spencer Eddy, secretary of the American Legation at St. Petersburg, was sent to Cleveland to-night by a Boston florist. The wreath is five feet in diameter.

RHODES SCHOLAR IN POOR HEALTH.

(BY TELEGRAPH TO THE TRIBUNE.)

Ithaca, N. Y., July 2.—Warren Ellis Schutt, former captain of the Cornell track team, holder of the two-mile intercollegiate record and the winner of the first Rhodes scholarship given to New-York students, returned to Ithaca last night after being ill. He will spend the summer in his country and, after regaining his strength, will return to England with a number of American classmates.

FINANCE COMMITTEE OUT.

MR. HYDE WAS CHAIRMAN.

Tarbell Spurs Agents and Praises Messrs. Morton and Ryan.

A visit by Samuel Untermyer, counsel for James Hazen Hyde, to the District Attorney's office yesterday caused much speculation among persons in the Equitable Life Assurance Society, who soon learned of Mr. Untermyer's conference with Mr. Jerome. The lawyer was at the Criminal Courts building for about an hour. He declared that his business was in no way connected with Equitable affairs or the Dodge-Morse case, in which he is counsel for Charles W. Morse, but was about a new case in which he and the District Attorney will be engaged.

The District Attorney will start to-day on a week's trip to the West. When he returns he expects to have the transcript of the testimony taken by Superintendent Hendricks in his examination of the Equitable officials, and he will settle down to work on the case. Attorney General Mayer, who is working at Albany preparing for his suits against the members of the underwriting syndicates, will be in this city on Friday, and action will be begun almost immediately thereafter to compel an accounting by those directors and also to debar them from their places in the Equitable.

Paul Morton, chairman of the board of directors, announced yesterday that the finance committee, next to the executive committee, the most important working body of the society, had been abolished. James Hazen Hyde was chairman of that committee, which passed on all investments of the Equitable's funds, which investments frequently were carried out without being submitted to the executive committee. The members of the finance committee, with one exception, were also the members of the executive committee. In the reorganization to be worked out by Mr. Morton the place of the finance committee will be taken by the new executive committee.

Deposed from his place as head of this body, Mr. Hyde now retains only his membership in the Equitable board, and the Attorney General's suit may deprive him of that. It is predicted that he will retire from his place as vice-president of the Mercantile Trust Company, too, and give up his directorships in other subsidiary companies of the Equitable.

Mr. Morton has taken no action yet on the resignations of Gage E. Tarbell and George T. Wilson. Mr. Wilson, it is believed, will be retained, because he was not violently a partisan in the recent trouble, and is recognized as an able insurance man. If Mr. Tarbell's resignation is accepted Mr. Wilson will be made second vice-president, it is thought.

MR. TARRELL TO THE AGENTS.

Mr. Tarbell, as head of the agency department, sent to the agents yesterday the following letter:

The month of June, 1905, will long remain a most memorable one in the annals of the Equitable. Events, startling, revolutionary, almost tragic, have followed each other with great rapidity, but out of this apparent confusion we see a new day dawning and a new era opening, with a new and greater Equitable.

The board of directors have wisely selected Paul Morton, ex-Secretary of the Navy, a man of national reputation, as the head of our great institution. In this selection we feel that the policyholders and agents are to be warmly congratulated. Mr. Morton is a man of action, a worker. From the moment of his election as chairman of the board he took hold of the affairs of the society with vigor and determination. He has announced his intention to see that past wrongs are righted, that every man is given a square deal, and that his watchword will be "the policyholders' interest."

The policyholders have good reason to believe, from every word that Mr. Morton has uttered, and his every act since he took office, that the Equitable, that he means business; that the business he means is the policyholders' business, with their interests paramount; that in short the policyholders will be the first consideration of the Equitable's new management.

Thomas F. Ryan is to be commended for stepping into the breach at a time when not only the affairs of the society, but business conditions in general were in a state of confusion. By purchasing the majority of the capital stock, and at once placing the same in the control of three of our most prominent and successful business men, Mr. Ryan, Mr. O'Brien and George Westinghouse as trustees, he immediately related the past and made possible the restoration of confidence. The utterances of the trustees and their action in nominating directors, who have already been elected, and the general approval of the policyholders and agents, but are far from being the end of the process of reorganizing the Equitable in the minds of the public.

You must not forget, however, that during these months of trial trouble have been magnifying the Equitable's shortcomings and overlooking its good points, which far outweigh the bad. Let us hope they have been looking through the wrong end of the telescope. Let no Equitable man fall into that same error.

MISTAKES INDIVIDUAL.

Remember that the mistakes that have been made have been individual, rather than corporate. That already Mr. Morton has started a policy of reorganization, of retrenchment and of reform. Already the tide has turned in favor of the Equitable; that already thinking people are coming to the conclusion that the Equitable because it will be cleaned and purified, and because, as stated above, they have every reason to believe that the Equitable is to be managed and run solely and absolutely in the interests of its policyholders.

Our paid business for the first six months of the year is only \$1,750,000 less than for the same period last year. Our total business for the first five months was only \$6,688,814 more than for the first five months of 1904. Our business for the first six months of 1905 is only \$1,332,000,000 less than for the same period last year. You will also be glad to know that there are seventy-two policies in force which show an increase over the same period of last year, and seventy-one policies which show an increase in the business over the same period of last year.

The letter ends with a eulogy of the "magnificent work and splendid courage" of the agents during the trying period, with the following significant paragraphs:

Now it is up to you to show once more what you can do. We expect from this time forth a steady march forward. The call "To arms!" has been sounded. The great army of the Equitable is invincible in the past, must be invincible in the future. On the foundations of the old, we are building now a new and greater Equitable. Men may come and men may go, but the Equitable will continue to demonstrate through its future progress and achievements the wisdom and fitness of its motto: "Not for a day, but for all time."

The future holds enormous possibilities for us all, and we must measure up to them. It is our duty to give to Mr. Morton in the arduous work which he has undertaken, our best and most loyal support.

BANK MORTGAGES AN ASSET.

Vice-Chancellor Pitney Decides That They Must Be Taken Up.

Vice-Chancellor Pitney gave a decision yesterday at Jersey City in relation to the mortgages worth \$40,000 found among the effects of the Middlesex County Bank at Perth Amboy, which was wrecked in 1896 by George S. Stewart, the bank's cashier. The mortgages must be collected by the receiver and the funds used as an asset of the bank to pay the claims of the creditors. The receiver, Mr. George S. Stewart, who had been receiver, died at Lake George on Sunday.

SUMMER VISITORS SPEND MILLIONS.

(BY TELEGRAPH TO THE TRIBUNE.)

Concord, N. H., July 3.—Ex-Governor Hatches of New-Hampshire is investigating statistics regarding the summer boarder business done by New-Hampshire, for fifteen or more years past, and has already calculated that in the 300 towns of the State, from \$20,000,000 to \$25,000,000 has been spent in that time. In thirty towns, which form the nucleus of the summer boarder business, visitors spend annually \$5,750,000, and in these same towns summer homes have been built to the number of 1,225, and in round figures, including there are 800 hotels depending almost entirely on this business, and the annual visitors in the thirty towns are about 200,000 people. One-tenth to three-quarters of the taxes in these towns are paid by the summer boarder owners.

RICH---HELD FOR ARSON.

Retired Manufacturer Accused of Setting Fire to Spinning Mill.

(BY TELEGRAPH TO THE TRIBUNE.)

Camden, N. J., July 3.—Held as an incendiary, John W. Priestley, a wealthy retired textile manufacturer, was committed without bail by the Recorder this afternoon. Saturday last the wool spinning plant of George R. Shimer & Son, at 5th-st. and Delaware River, which had been idle two weeks, was destroyed by fire. The loss was over \$50,000. The blaze was discovered by George Rittenhouse and William Archer, boys, who told Police Captain Boyle that they saw a man jump from the mill. Joseph Nease caught the man and he was identified by Rittenhouse and Archer as the man they saw jump. The man was excited and his hair and mustache were singed. Taken to the City Hall he gave his name as John Williams, of No. 490 Washington Lane, Germantown, Philadelphia, and said: "I buy up old machinery. In walking around that mill I saw a window partly open and went in to light a cigar. When I dropped the match on the floor the whole place seemed to go up just like an explosion."

At the hearing this afternoon Mr. Moffett, a detective, testified that while on his way to the fire he arrested Williams, or Priestley, who was found in custody of Joseph Nease.

In the prisoner's pocket, when he was searched, was found a slip of paper with the address No. 315 State-st. This is the address of Colonel C. R. Shimer, of the burned out firm. The detective said the accused told him it was a New-York address. The prisoner also told Moffett that he came to see Shimer at the instigation of one George Jackson. Moffett stated that there was no such address as that given by the prisoner, and that when he so informed him Williams then gave the name of Priestley, and said he lived at No. 46 Washington Lane, Germantown.

Joseph Nease, who captured Priestley, testified to-day that the accused offered him \$500 if he would release him. After William Archer and George Bernstein had testified to seeing Priestley jump from the mill, Mr. Shimer testified that the prisoner called at the mill last Wednesday and asked if the place was for sale. Mr. Shimer said it was. Priestley told him: "I think I can place it for you in a few days, probably Saturday." Mr. Shimer stated that he did not even know Priestley's name, and not until he saw him in jail was he aware that the prisoner and his visitor of Wednesday were one and the same.

WALL STREET P. O. OPEN.

Branch To Be in Full Operation Within a Few Weeks.

The new branch postoffice at No. 60 Wall-st. was open for business yesterday, but it will be some time before it is in full operation. The contractor for fitting up the distributing and collecting sections of the office, putting in the sorting tables, distribution boxes, etc., has not yet finished his work, and will not have the full equipment installed for a week to come. There has also been delay in laying the pneumatic tubes, which the General Postoffice and the branch, and it may be two or three weeks before the transmission of mail through the tubes can be begun.

The money order, registry and stamp clerks are at work in the new office, but deliveries for the Wall Street district are still being made by the carriers from the main postoffice. The full staff of the Wall-st. branch, of which Charles H. C. Hecht is superintendent, will consist of sixty-eight carriers, sixty-five clerks and fourteen collectors.

DENY LIGHT KEEPERS GO CRAZY.

No Truth in Stories of Insanity at Minot's Ledge Light.

(BY TELEGRAPH TO THE TRIBUNE.)

Boston, July 3.—Stories have been published lately that men employed at the Minot's Ledge Light frequently go insane, and that it is difficult to secure men to take the places. The stories alleged that Minot's light is famous for the men who go crazy there.

Keepers of the light laugh at these stories, and say they are ridiculous. There are four men there now. Milton H. Reamy, Joseph E. Fratus, E. H. Small and another named Clark. Keeper Reamy and First Assistant Fratus are veterans, and the others have been in the business several years. Fratus has been nearly a quarter of a century at the light. Mr. Reamy's wife is there with him, and she says they have yet to discover any sign of insanity in her husband. She admitted that once a man named Hayden attempted to commit suicide by cutting his throat, but she thinks it was because he wanted to be with his wife more, and had a fit of jealousy. Hayden did not succeed, but left the service. There is no truth whatever in the stories that have been syndicated broadcast.